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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-23 (Canceled).

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): An image processing method performed by an image supply device storing image data and an image output device performing image processing with respect to operable to perform a print operation in which an object corresponding to the image data is printed, which are connected via a communication path through which the image data is communicated, the method comprising steps of:

transmitting, from the image output device to the image supply device, a status first information item pertaining to an operation status of the image output device, at least a part of which is described by a markup language specifying an object allocated at a predetermined position in a page layout;

storing the first information item in the image supply device; and

generating, at the image supply device <u>based on the stored first information item when</u> the print operation is interrupted, a control second information item pertaining to a resuming operation of the image output device, at least a part of which is described by a markup language including a first script configured to resume an interrupted print operation, and a second script specifying an object to be first printed by the image output device when the interrupted print operation is resumed;

transmitting the second information item from the image supply device to the image output device; and

resuming the interrupted print operation based on the second information item, wherein at least a part of the first information item and at least a part of the second information item are described by a markup language.

Claim 25 (Canceled).

Claim 26 (Currently Amended): The image processing method as set forth in claim 25 24, wherein the resumption <u>first</u> information item is transmitted only in a case where the print operation is <u>halted interrupted</u>.

Claim 27 (Currently Amended): The image processing method as set forth in claim 25 24, wherein the resumption <u>first</u> information item is transmitted every time a page break is conducted occurs during the print operation.

Claim 28 (Currently Amended): The image processing method as set forth in claim 25 24, wherein the resumption <u>first</u> information item includes at least one of a path information item indicating where the one image data <u>corresponding to the object</u> is stored in the image supply device and a number information item indicating how many times the <u>printed</u> object is to be supplied to the image output device repetitively.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended): The image processing method as set forth in claim 28, wherein the number information item is corrected so as to indicate a remained number of the repetitive supply of the one image data before the one image data is supplied to the image output device, in a case where a page break is conducted occurs during the supply of the one image data.

Claim 30 (Currently Amended): The image processing method as set forth in claim 25 24, further comprising steps of:

detecting, at the image output device, a first condition for halting that the print operation is interrupted;

transmitting, as the status <u>first</u> information item, a third script indicating that the first condition is detected <u>print operation is interrupted</u>;

halting the print operation after the third script is transmitted;

detecting, at the image output device, a second condition for resuming that the interrupted print operation is resumed; and

transmitting, as the status <u>first</u> information item, a fourth script indicating that the second condition is detected interrupted print operation is resumed.

Claims 31-35 (Canceled).